

AROUND THE NEST



OPEN DAILY AT NOON

Saturday and Sunday at 11:00am

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April, May and June 2025

No. 2-2025

Aerie Insider: Presidents View

Brothers of 1269,

I hope you and your families are safe and well. The weather has been ridiculous over the past couple of months. Make sure to take your vitamins and eat healthy during these crazy months! The good news is, it's almost over. Spring is right around the corner, and you all know what that means....

The pavilion will be open! The Trustees are working very hard to get ready for the upcoming outdoor season; planning entertainment, new features, and de-winterizing when the weather breaks. I can't wait to spend another season at the best place on the river!

Please note that our dues have gone up by \$10.00. The Aerie membership is now \$65.00 per year. This is to offset the cost of the increase in dues from the Grand Aerie and the State. If you were at the general membership meeting last year, I explained what the increases were and where that money goes. It may not be the most popular subject, but one that is necessary to communicate.

Please remember that if you have an issue with our Aerie or any of its members, we have a protocol to address those issues. First and foremost, you should "go to that man himself and tell him of his failings." We all took that oath when we were initiated into the Aerie. If you cannot resolve the issue in that manner, you MUST go and speak with the Trustees. This is the only way that we can resolve these issues. They cannot, and will not, be resolved on the social room floor, and more importantly over social media. Social media is not the place to argue, debate, degrade or cause division within our club. There is no reason whatsoever for it and you have better outlets to get your issues resolved.

Aerie officer nominations will be taking place on the 4th Wednesday in April. If you or anyone you know would like to run for office, please either attend the meeting on April 23rd or submit a letter to the Secretary for consideration. The elections will take place on the 2nd Wednesday in May.

I am so proud of our Aerie and all its members for the incredible fundraising we have been doing! Thank you all so much for your time and generosity. The Auxiliary raised \$18,500 for the Madam State President's charity! I will also have a very significant donation to the National Alliance for Mental Illness in May. We have eclipsed the \$100,000 mark for charity donations this year (again)! Keep up the amazing work. We are the embodiment of People Helping People, and we should all be so, so proud of what we do. I am extremely thankful for our ability to raise that amount of money for the various groups and charities we donate to.

As we move into warmer weather, please remember to look at the calendar for all the different events we will be hosting. From Tigers Opening Day, Kentucky Derby, Blessing of the Bikes, Corn Roast, Family Picnic, to other events that have not been planned yet, we will have another full spring and summer of fun things to do for everyone.

Thank you all, from the bottom of my heart, for everything you do for our Aerie! My first year as your President has been wonderful and blessed. I have all of you to thank for this incredible opportunity and experience. It is one I will cherish for the rest of my life.

As we continue to do remarkable things and become stronger and better, please remember:

Be a Leader, Be Kind, Be Selfless Ben Goers, Worthy President

A Heartfelt Thank You to Our Members From your Auxiliary President

As we transition from winter into the warmer months, we would like to take a moment to extend our deepest gratitude to all our members for their unwavering support and dedication throughout the colder season. Your commitment, whether it was through lending a hand at events, supporting our community initiatives, or simply staying engaged in the spirit of fellowship, has made all the difference.

Winter can be a challenging time, but your contributions have kept our chapter strong and united. Thanks to you, we've been able to continue our mission of supporting our community, forging lasting bonds, and making a meaningful impact. We are truly grateful for each and every one of you.

Exciting Events on the Horizon

With spring and summer right around the corner, we're thrilled to announce that there are many exciting events ahead for our members to look forward to. Two standout events that are sure to be memorable include our celebration of the **Kentucky Derby** and the **Jubilee marking 120 years of our establishment**.

The Kentucky Derby is always a highlight, offering a fun and festive atmosphere for members to come together, enjoy good company, and cheer on their favorite horses. Whether you're a seasoned Derby fan or a first timer, it's sure to be a day filled with excitement, friendly competition, and plenty of opportunities for everyone to get involved.

Additionally, we are incredibly proud to celebrate the **120th Anniversary of the Fraternal Order of Eagles!** This milestone is a testament to the strength, unity, and dedication of our organization and its members. We invite everyone to join us for a special Jubilee event to reflect on our rich history and celebrate the many achievements we've made together over the years.

These events are just the beginning of what promises to be a season of fellowship, fun, and community spirit. Stay tuned for more details and be sure to mark your calendars, we can't wait to see you there!

People Helping People: The Power of Kindness

At the heart of everything we do is the belief that *people helping people* is what makes our community truly special. The kindness, generosity, and support shown by our members is what has allowed our organization to thrive for over 120 years. Each act of kindness, no matter how small, creates a ripple effect that touches lives in ways we may never fully know.

As we look ahead to the coming months, let's continue to embody the values of compassion, camaraderie, and service to others. Together, we can continue to make a positive impact and help those who need it most.

Thank you for being a part of this wonderful community. Your kindness makes all the difference!

Get Involved: Volunteer or Host a Dinner!

Are you interested in volunteering or hosting a dinner? We always welcome new faces and fresh ideas! Whether you're looking to lend a helping hand or take on a leadership role, there are plenty of opportunities to get involved and make a difference.

If you'd like to learn more about volunteering, hosting a dinner, or just want to find out how you can contribute, we invite you to join us at one of our meetings. The **Auxiliary meets on the first and third Tuesday of each month**, and the **Aerie meetings are on the second and fourth Wednesday of each month**. These meetings are a great chance to connect with fellow members, ask questions, and discover ways to be more involved in our community.

We're always excited to see new faces, and we look forward to welcoming you at our next meeting. Come check us out and see how you can make a difference!

I'm looking forward to getting together soon—see you at the Aerie!

Sheila Puglia, Auxiliary President

Officers Page



Aerie and Auxiliary Officers 2024-2025





| Jr. Past President |
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| Worthy President |
| Worthy Vice President |
| Chaplin |
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| Treasurer |
| Conductor |
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| Sargent at Arms | JoAnn Carley |



It's not to late to pay your
REAC Dues
Come on Down
to
the Club



| Debbie Palasik | Jr. Past Madam President |
|-----------------|--------------------------|
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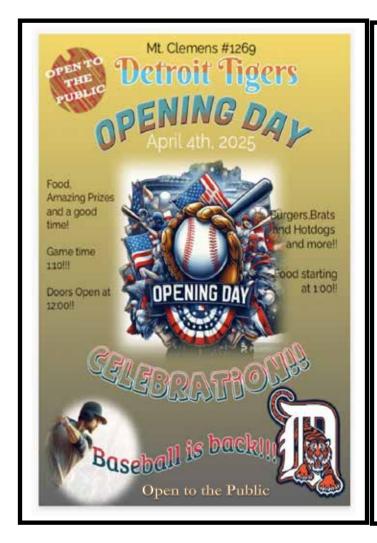
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Riding season is upon us again, with lots of events happening. Euchre is held the 2nd Wednesday of each month, Blessing of the Bikes on Sunday, May 4th.

State Rider Meeting here on Sat. May 31st at 12 PM. Please check the web site and marque for flyers and details. We sincerely appreciate your support, and those that participate in the "Traveling Plaque". Any Eagle member can become a Rider, and we are always open to having new people. Mary Corriveau, Secretary-248-635-1748





Mt Clemens Eagle Dues are Due Aerie and Auxiliary Dues are payable by May 31, 2025

We are asking you to mail your dues. We have over 2,000 members and we believe this will make it easier for everyone. Please fill out the attached form and send with your dues so we can verify our records. Make checks payable to F.O.E. #1269 or F.O.E. Auxiliary #1269 and mail to:

Mt. Clemens Eagles, 25455 South River Road, Harrison Twp., MI 48045

If you are sending in Aerie and Auxiliary dues together, please make separate checks. Your canceled check or copy of your money order will be your temporary receipt. **DO NOT SEND CASH!** You may still pay your dues at the club. We will mail your card to you. Thank you for your help!

(Your member classification and local number is printed on your membership card)

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Third Friday - Every Month 7-11pm











Get your State Tickets at Mt. Clemens Eagles

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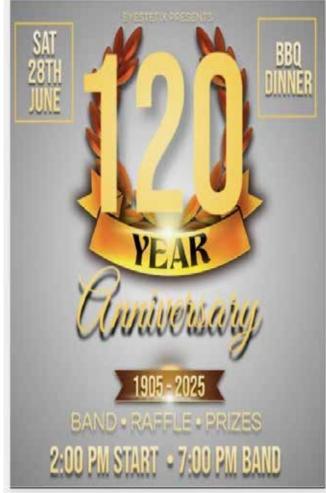


| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
|--|------------------------------|---|---|---|---|--|
| April | | 1 7p Aux Mtg | 2 6p Aerie Interviews | 3 6p Darts 6:30p Men's Pool | 4 Sp Hot Dogs & Brats Take Me Out to the Ball Game Open to the Public Building Fund | 5 7p Same old Guys Band |
| 6 | 7 5p VAD | 8 6p Horseshoe Mtg 6p REAC Mtg Brotherhood Dinner | 9 7:00p Aerie Mtg. | 6p Darts 6:30p Men's Pool Banquet | 11 Sp FryDay Fish Dinner 7p Two Joker | 12 5p Steak-Out 7p Flashback Band |
| 13 2p District Mtg. RoseClair #2895 Palm Sunday | 14 Sp Taco Night | 15 6p Horseshoes 7p Aux Mtg. Initiation & Nominations | 16 | 17 6p Darts | 18 7p Two Joker Good Friday | 19 7p The Act Band |
| 20 3-5p Easter Dinner | 21 5p Dinner | 22 6p Horseshoe 7p Riders Mtg. & Nominations | 7:00p Aerie Mtg. Initiation & Nominations | 24 6p Darts | 25 6:30p Show me the Money | 26 |
| 27 11a 1269 President Brunch | 28 5p Pork Loin Dinner | 29 6p Horseshoes 7p Aux. Interviews | 30 | | | |

| Around the Nest | | May | | Mt. Clemens Eagles #1269 | | | |
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| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday | |
| | | | | 1 6p Darts | 2 7p Karaoke Tim Luczak | 3 Derby Party Open to the Public | |
| | - 9 | NIC. | | | Building Fund | Open to the Public | |
| 4 Noon | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | |
| Blessing of the Bikes 5p Taco Bar | 5p Dinner | 11a – 7:30p Aux Elections 7p Aux. Mtg | 6:00p Aerie Interviews | 6p Darts | 7p Two Joker | 5p Steak-Out | |
| | | 6:30p Horseshoes | | | | | |
| 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 | 16 | 17 | |
| | 5p Taco Night | 6p REAC Mtg | 11a – 7:30p Aerie | 6p Darts | 7p Two Joker | | |
| 1-4 p Dinner | | | Elections 7p Aerie Mtg | | | Class Reunion Party | |
| Mother's Day | | 6:30p Horseshoes | | | | Armed Forces Da | |
| 18 | 19 | 20 | 21 | 22 | 23 | 24 | |
| 2p District Mtg. Madison Heights #3206 | 5p Jenn G | 7p Aux. Mtg. & Initiation | 7p Aerie Mtg. & Initiation | 6p Cornhole Mtg. | 7p Show me the Money | | |
| | | 6:30p Horseshoes | | | | | |
| 25 | 26 | 27 5p Dinner 7p Aux. Interviews 7p Riders Mtg. 6:30p Horseshoes | 28 6p Ladies Pool Mgt 7p Aerie Mtg. & Initiation | 29 6p Cornhole | 30 | 31 MI State Riders Poker Run 1p Burger & Dogs | |
| | Memorial Day | | | | | | |

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| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
| Joint Officers Installation | 2 5p Turkey Wraps | 3 7p Aux Mtg. & Installation | 4 6p Ladies Pool 7p Aerie Interviews | 5 | 6 7p Karaoke Tim Luczak Building Fund | 7 |
| | | State (| Convention Lans | ing, MI | | |
| 8 | 9 5p Taco Night | 10 6:30p Joint Officers Mtg. 6:30p Horseshoes Newsletter Deadline | 11 6p Ladies Pool 7:00p Aerie Mtg & Installation | 12 7p Two Joker | 13 6 | 14 5p Steak-Out |
| 1:30p - 5 pm Steak - Out Aerie 1269 Men Only Father's Day | 16 5p Dinner | 17 6p REAC Mtg 7p Aux. Mtg. & Initiation 6:30p Horseshoes | 18 6p Ladies Pool | 19 6p Cornhole Juneteenth | Two Jokers Summer Begins | 21 |
| 22 Graduation Party | 23 5p Pizza | 24 6:30p Horseshoes 7p Auxiliary Inv. | 25 6p Ladies Pool 7:00p Aerie Mtg & Initiation | 26 6p Cornhole | 27 7p Show me the Money | 28 Mt. Clemens 1269 120 Anniversary |
| 29 | 30 Sp Dinner | | £ | HAPPY SUMMER | | A |











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